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ILLEGAL ALIEN CHARGED WITH REENTRY BACK INTO THE UNITED STATES AFTER DEPORTATION

PRESS RELEASE

INDIANAPOLIS - Jose Ramirez-Villasenor, 49, Mexico, was charged today with being found in United States after having been deported following a conviction for an aggravated felony, announced Timothy M. Morrison, U.S. Attorney, Southern District of Indiana, following an investigation by Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security.

The information alleges that Ramirez-Villasenor was convicted of rape in 1989 in Orange County, California. He was deported on November 9, 2007, and ordered never to again be in the United States. On September 8, 2009, he was found again in Clark County, Indiana near New Albany.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Gayle L. Helart, who is prosecuting the case for the government, Ramirez-Villasenor faces a maximum of 20 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine. Following a hearing held on September 25, 2009, Ramirez-Villasenor was ordered detained. pending disposition of this case.

An indictment is only a charge and is not evidence of guilt. A defendant is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial at which the government must prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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